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## UA1B3/6 Meeting Minutes

WKU Parking & Traffic Committee

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WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Rec'd  
7/23/96

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Dr. Thomas C. Meredith, President

FROM: Horace Johnson, Chairman  
W.K.U. Parking & Traffic Committee

DATE: 5/29/96

SUBJECT: Minutes Parking and Traffic Meeting  
April 30, 1996

Approved with  
notes. Under  
for intramural parking  
on our corner property (new).  
Shouldn't a speed bump  
be prior to the valley  
walkway to slow down  
traffic early?  
Meredith

Attached is a copy of the minutes and results of the Parking and Traffic Committee meeting and tour of the campus on April 30.

The committee recommended:

- 1) Removal of 3 reserved spaces for the Community College because of abuse and lack of need.
- 2) Creason Lot and the gravel portion of Egypt Lot be blacktopped and striped to gain more parking and dangerous drain cover be repaired.
- ✓ 3) Bring the following items before the Bowling Green City Traffic Commission
  - a) 14th Street alley entrance which is slick and hazardous,
  - b) removal of 3 spaces at 15th and Hub Lot for safety reasons, and
  - c) address the illegal parking problem on Creason Drive.
- 4) Restripe Helm and Industrial Ed lots due to their poor condition.
- ✓ 5) Converting outside basketball court at Keen Hall to parking because of the problem area it now constitutes (see comments page 10).
- 6) Removal of spaces on Ogden Drive in the curve to make it wider and more safe.
- 7) Installation of sidewalk from corner of University Blvd. and Russellville Lot. Pedestrians currently have to walk in the roadway to access this lot.
- 8) Installation of a barrier to prevent people from driving on sidewalk to enter or exit South Lawn.

If they are needed,  
and I suspect they  
are, tow the empty  
and report them to  
Dr. Adkins for leave  
2 spaces.

Sent memo to  
Dr. Wilder  
7/25/96

Sent memo  
Dr. Wilder  
Dean Bailey  
7/25/96

1. Entrance and  
exit ??  
2. I need comments  
from Dr. Wilder and  
Student Affairs

All other parts of the minutes are miscellaneous items for your information.

Attachment  
HFJ/pjm

**MINUTES**  
**W.K.U. PARKING AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE**  
April 30, 1996

The W.K.U. Parking and Traffic Committee met on the above date at 2:00 p.m. at the Department of Public Safety and took a tour of the lots on campus.

Members Present: Finley Baird, Bob Cobb, Jim Cummings, Dave Parrott, Chairman Horace Johnson, and Ad-Hoc member Capt. Paul Joiner.

Members Absent: Barry Brickman, Tom Dunn, Martha Houchin, Judy Thornton, Stephanie McCarty

Visitor: Conn Creswell, Facilities Management

Approval of the minutes from last meeting.

**(NEW BUSINESS)**

1). Ideas for Efficiency Committee received a request from Claire Rinehart in Biology that the spaces next to Ogden College Parking Lot be adjusted for smaller cars. When the committee rode through that area, it was not sure exactly which lot Rinehart was talking about since there are several small lots in that area.

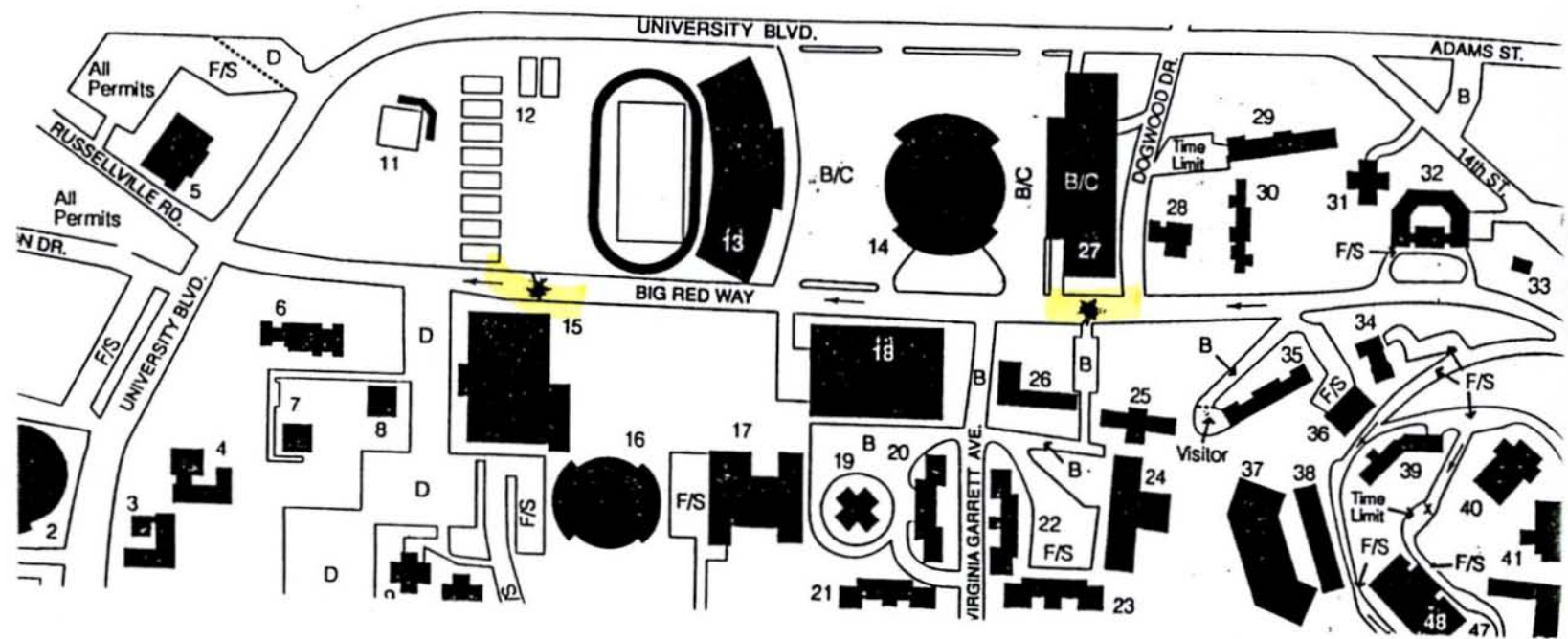
**ACTION TAKEN:** The committee asked Paul Joiner to contact Rinehart and see exactly which lot was being referred to. (Snell Lot, Thompson Hall Lot, Odgen Drive)

The committee made the following recommendations and observations:

Please see attached - lots are in alphabetical order...

BIG RED WAY

Mr. Johnson stated that Mr. Creswell was in the process of ordering materials needed for the two Speed Humps. These should be complete sometime this summer before school starts in August. (One at Facilities Management crosswalk and one at DUC crosswalk.)

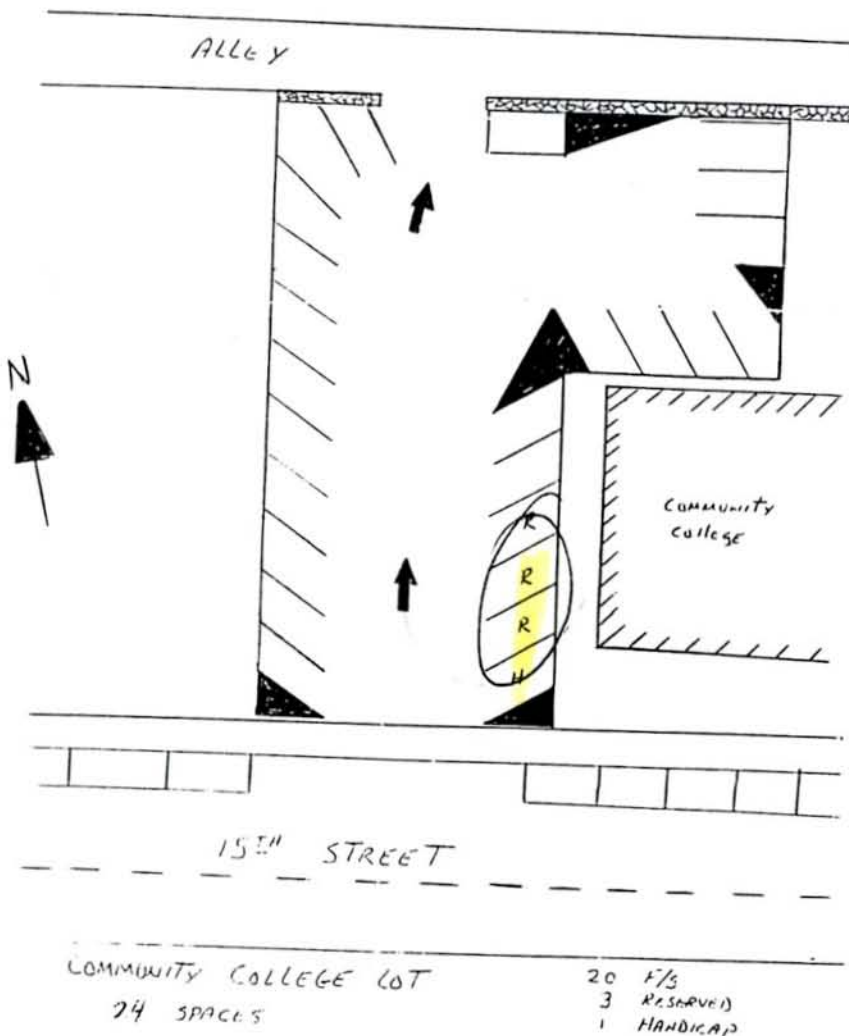




COMMUNITY COLLEGE LOT

Paul Joiner discussed the abuses of the spaces reserved for the Community College visitors. The employees are using these spaces. Capt. Joiner contacted the Director, Jerry Boles, and advised him of the situation. Mr. Boles stated that they really didn't use them that much anyway. Mr. Johnson recommended to remove the reserved spaces for the Community College, Finely Baird seconded. All voted to:

**RECOMMEND TO APPROVE:** Removal of the 3 reserved spaces for the Community College.



**WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

**MEMORANDUM:**

**TO:** Jerry Boles  
Director, WKU Community College

**FROM:** Lt. Paul Joiner<sup>PI</sup>

**DATE:** March 27, 1996


**SUBJECT:** Community College Reserve Parking Spaces

Recently, a problem with the use of the reserve parking spaces assigned to the Community College has been brought to my attention. Employees of the community college have been observed parking in these spaces, as well as their relatives. Also, on March 27, 1996, several students were observed parking in these spaces and going to class.

The WKU Parking and Traffic Committee strives to meet the needs of all departments on campus who have the need for reserve parking spaces for people doing business with their departments. These spaces are allocated on a "need" basis. The WKU Parking and Traffic has never felt that employee parking is a justified reason for a reserve parking space. In reality, it shows just the opposite, that the space is not actually needed.

Please call us when students use the spaces to attend class. WKU Police are willing to work with you in clearing up this problem. Please ensure that the spaces are used for community college business only. Failure to use these spaces for their intended purpose may lead to their removal by the Parking & Traffic Committee.

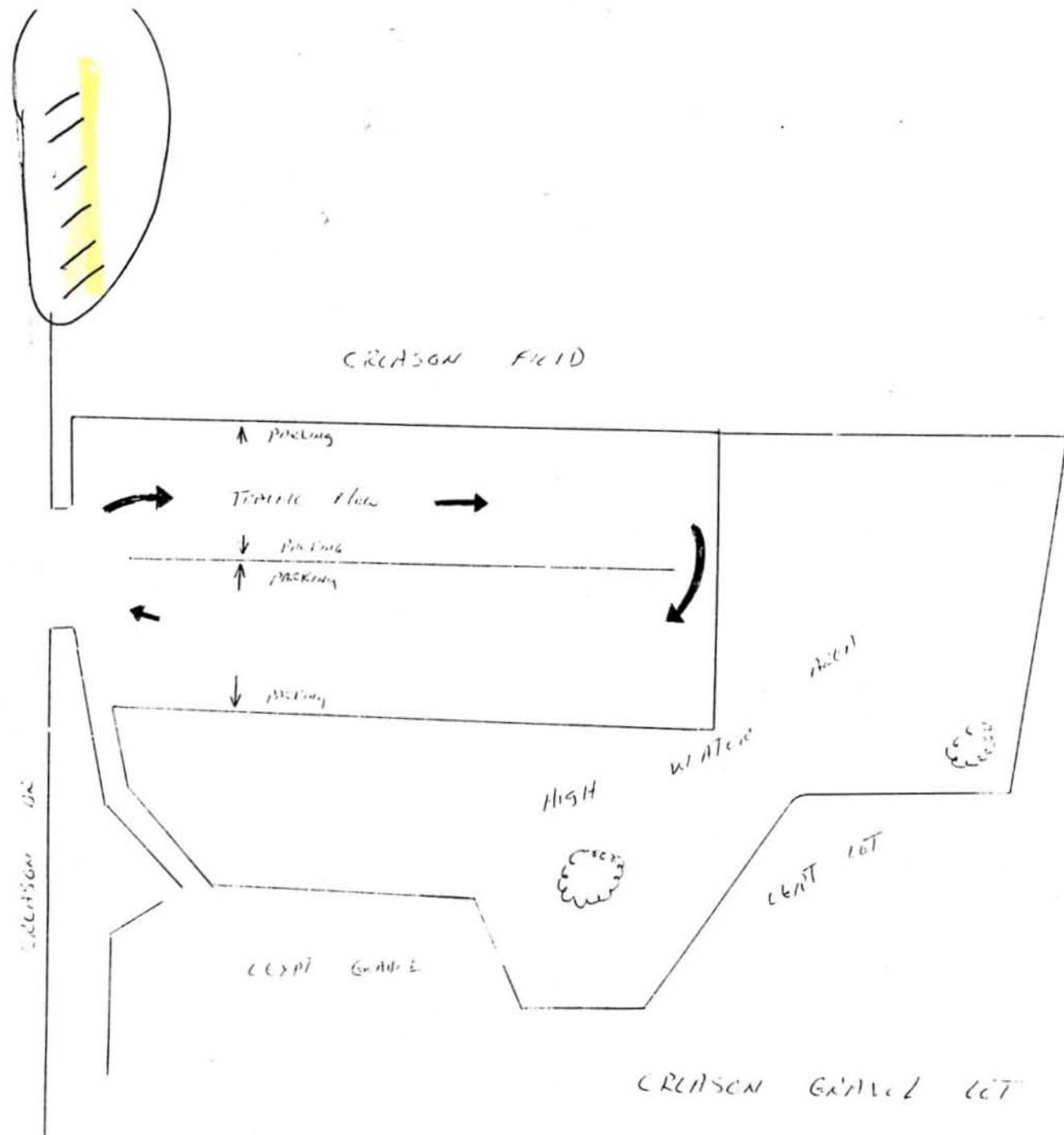
Please call me at 745-2548 if I can be of further assistance to you.

cc  Chairman, Parking & Traffic Committee

CREASON DRIVE

There is a hazard with cars parking on the side of the roadway and backing out into traffic. The committee recommended to ask B.G. city officials for permission to write tickets in this area.

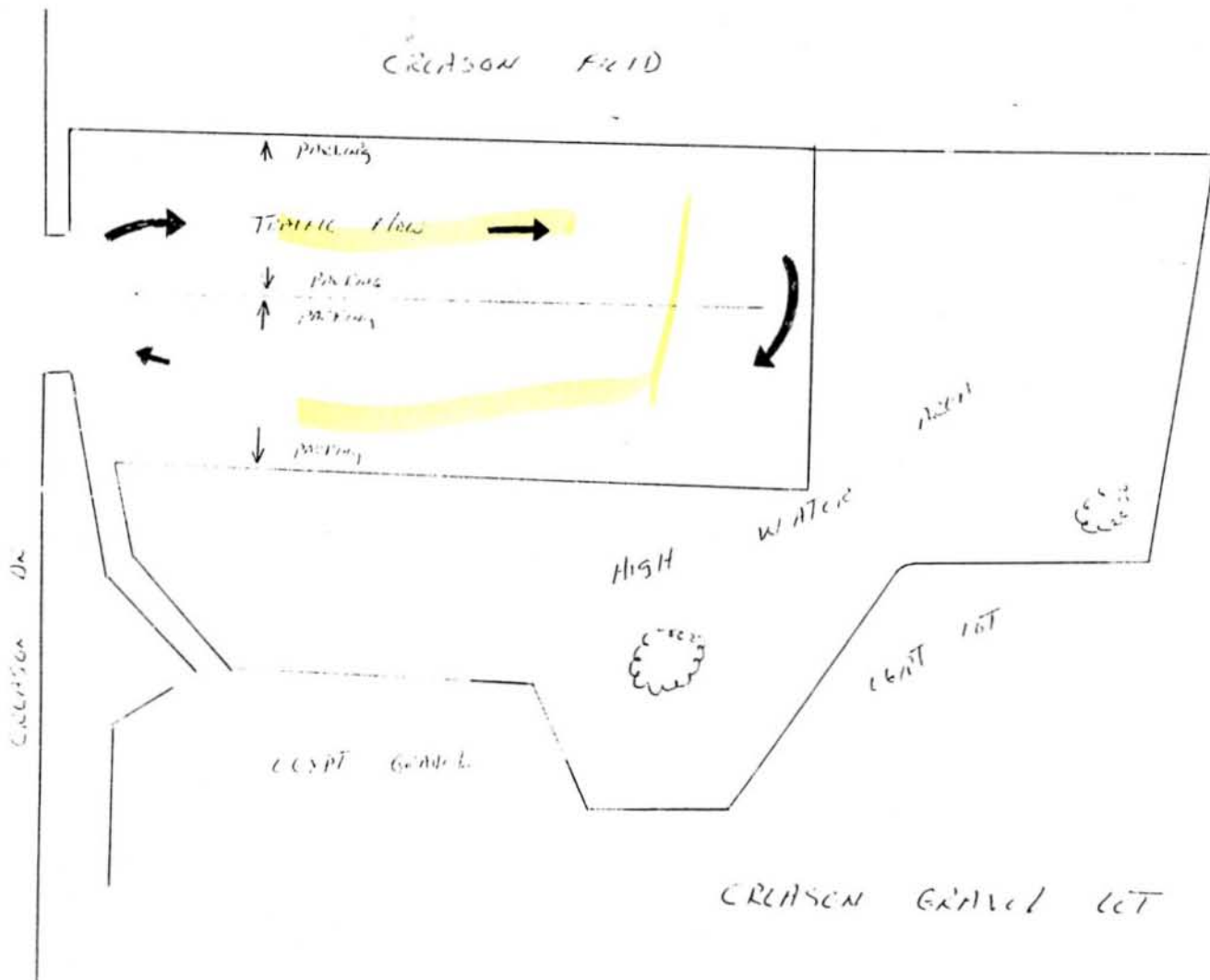
**ACTION TAKEN:** Mr. Johnson to contact city officials and request tickets be written in this area.



CREASON LOT

The committee recommended to blacktop and stripe the gravel area in this lot to add additional. These lower lots are utilized not only by students but also by visitors to sporting events and graduations.

**RECOMMEND TO APPROVE:** Blacktopping and striping gravel area in this lot to pick up additional parking.

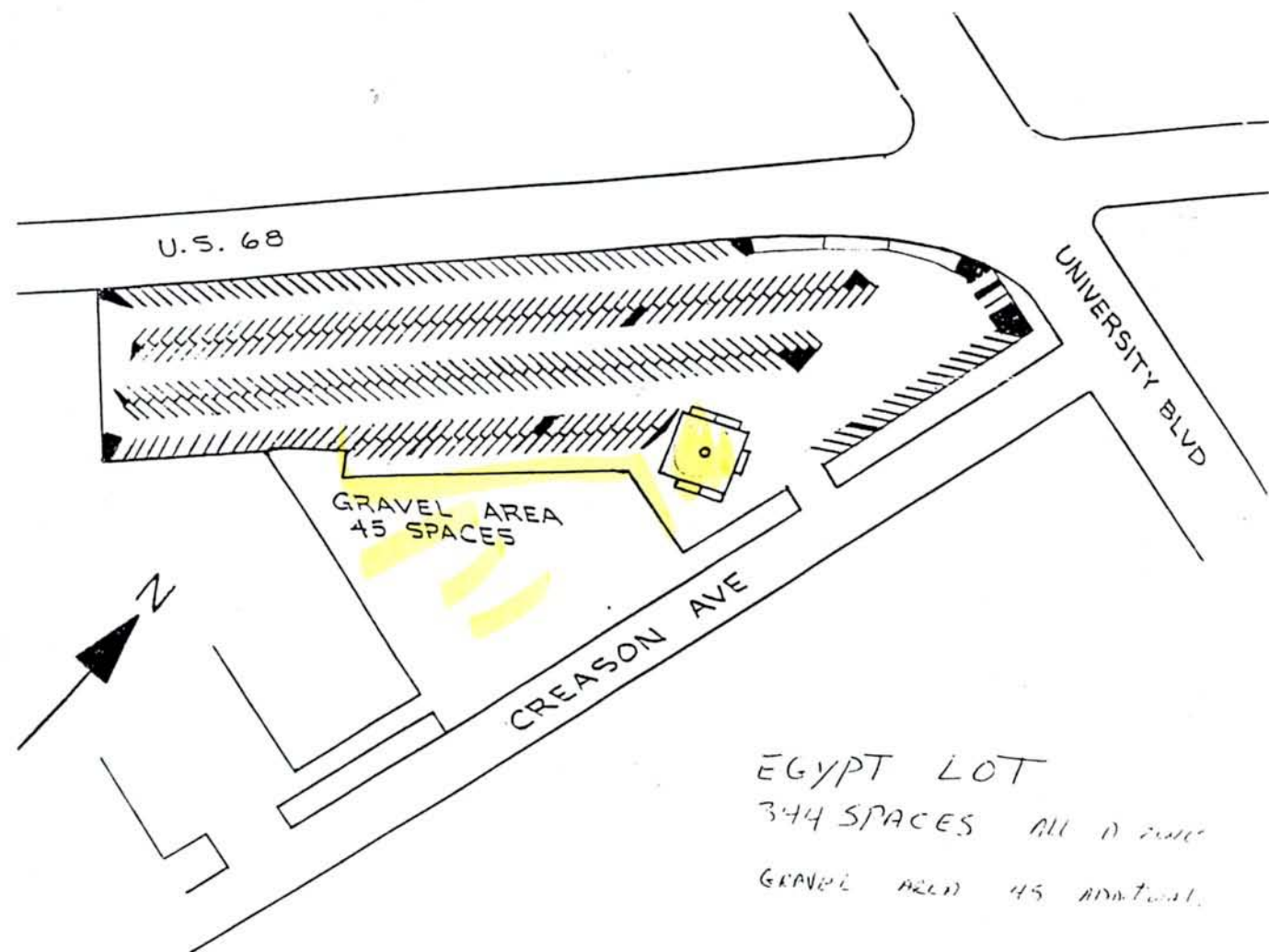




EGYPT LOT

There is a problem with the drain cover in this area. The chain to the lid is broken and it is very hazardous. There has been one accident with a minor who accidentally stepped on the top and the lid flipped causing injury. It was also recommended by the committee to replace the old white posts to keep people out of the flood and grass area. The committee felt if the gravel area in this lot could be blacktopped and striped, additional parking could be picked up.

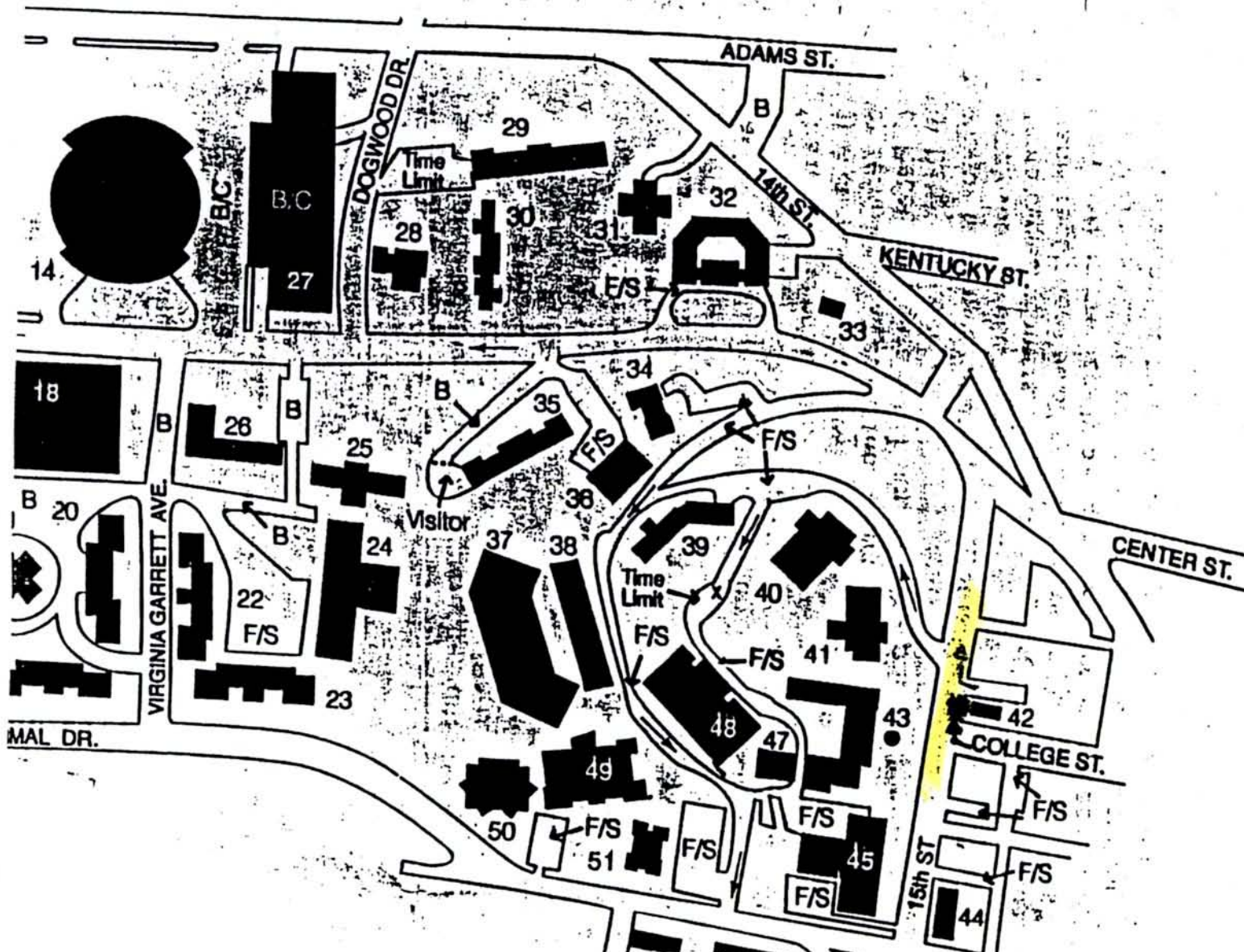
**RECOMMENDED TO APPROVE:** Fixing chain to drain lid. Replace and repair white posts. Blacktop and stripe gravel area to increase parking spaces.



15th STREET

There is a sight hazard coming out of the Hub Lot onto 15th Street. The committee recommended eliminating three parking spaces on the street as you turn the corner from College Street onto 15th Street. This is a city street and Mr. Johnson said he would bring this recommendation to the agenda of the B.G. Traffic Commission.

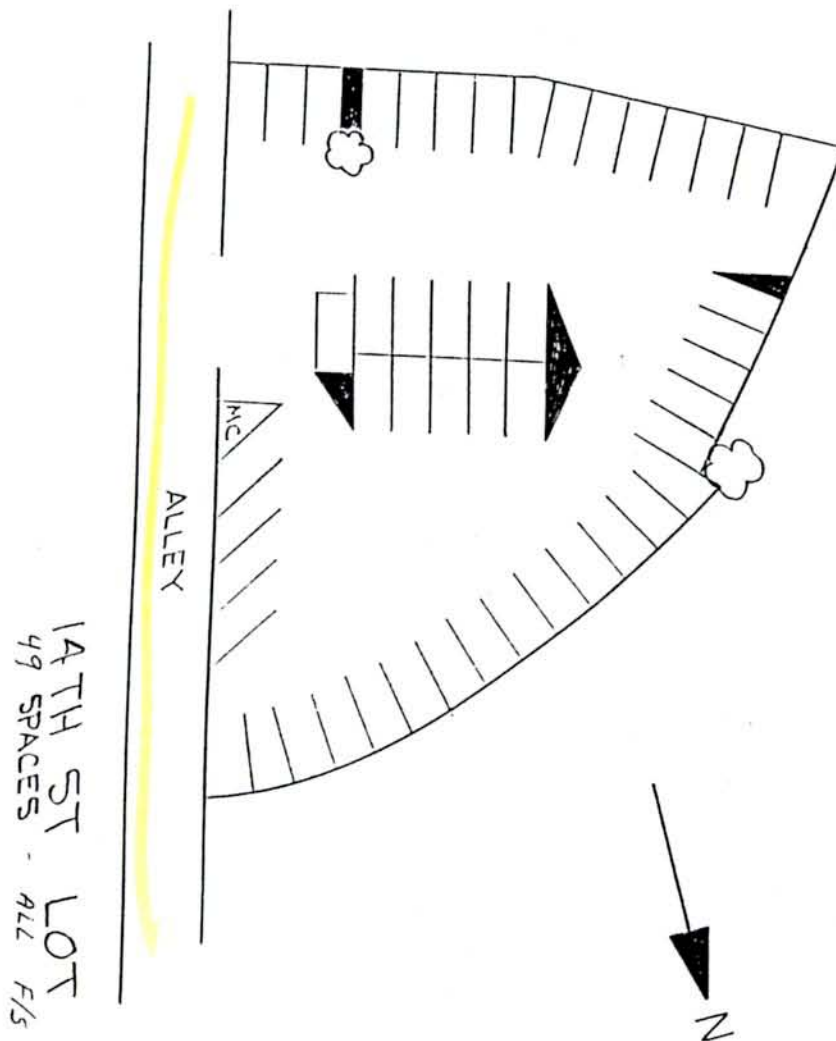
**ACTION TAKEN:** Mr. Johnson to bring to the agenda of the B.G. Traffic Commission the recommendation of the W.K.U. Parking and Traffic Committee to remove 3 parking spaces on 15th Street to eliminate a sight hazard as you exit one of the parking lots.



14th STREET LOT

Bob Cobb stated that several people have indicated to him that the alleyway when wet or snowy is extremely slick and asked if something could be done to correct this problem. Chairman Johnson stated at this time the alleyway is a city fire lane. He stated he would bring the matter to the attention of the B.G. Traffic Commission of which he is a member.

**ACTION TAKEN:** Mr. Johnson to bring the matter of the slick alleyway to the agenda of the B.G. City Traffic Commission.

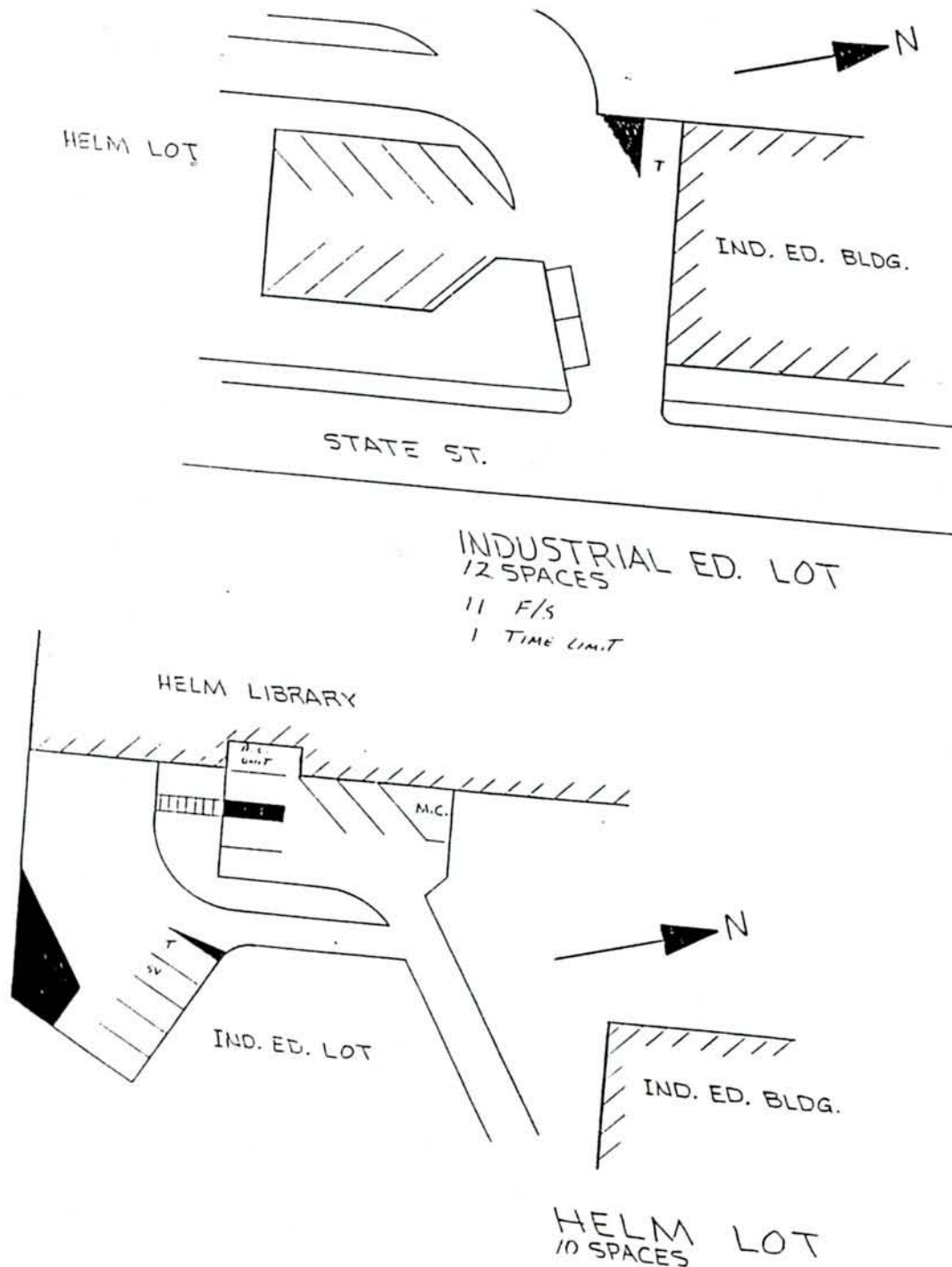




HELM AND INDUSTRIAL ED. LOT

The committee felt both of these lots were in badly in need of restriping and should added to Mr. Creswell's priority list of restriping for this summer.

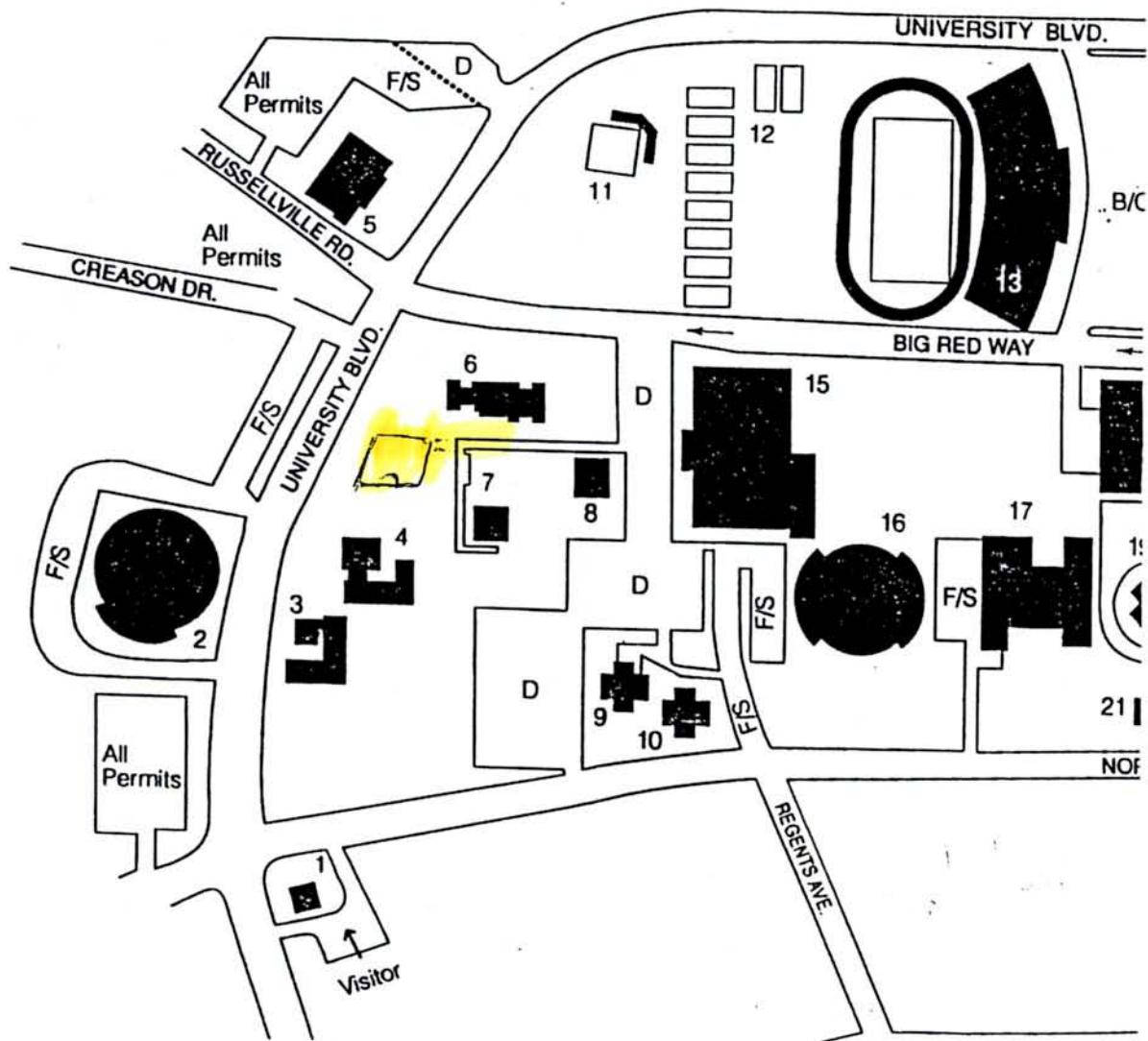
**RECOMMEND TO APPROVE:** Helm and Industrial Ed Lot added to the priority list of lots to restriped this summer.



## KEEN HALL - BASKETBALL COURTS

This is a problem area for outsiders (loiterers, drug dealers) to gather. Now that the Preston Center is complete, there are basketball courts on the inside away from the weather and a controlled entrance to only those who have a legitimate reason to be on campus. The committee felt this area could be better utilized for parking. This would assist those living in the New Co-Ed Residence Halls, Sorority Hall, Keen Hall, and Pearce Ford Tower. It would cut down on the number of persons having to cross the busy University Blvd.

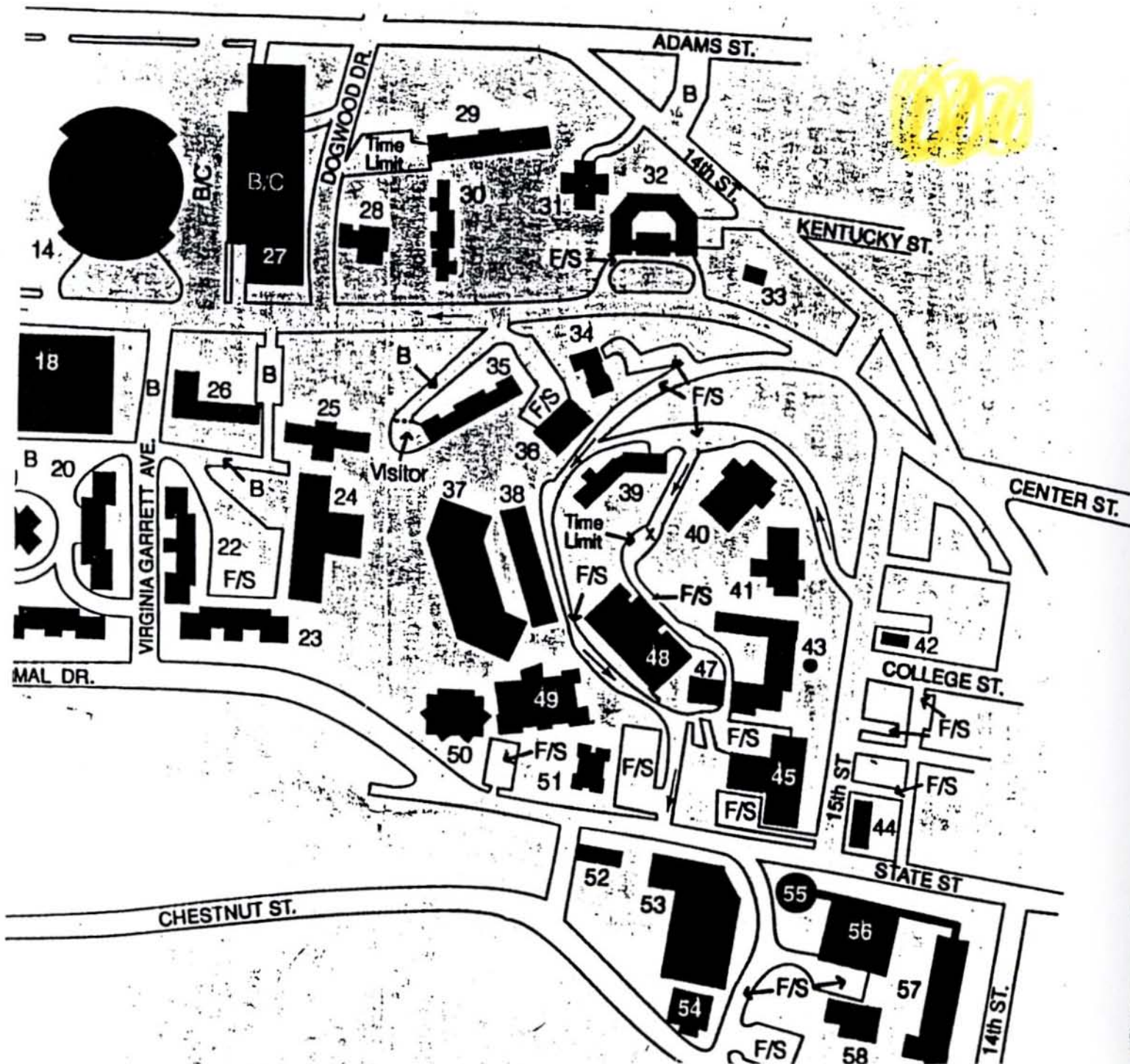
**RECOMMEND TO APPROVE:** Converting the outside basketball courts to parking near Keen Hall.





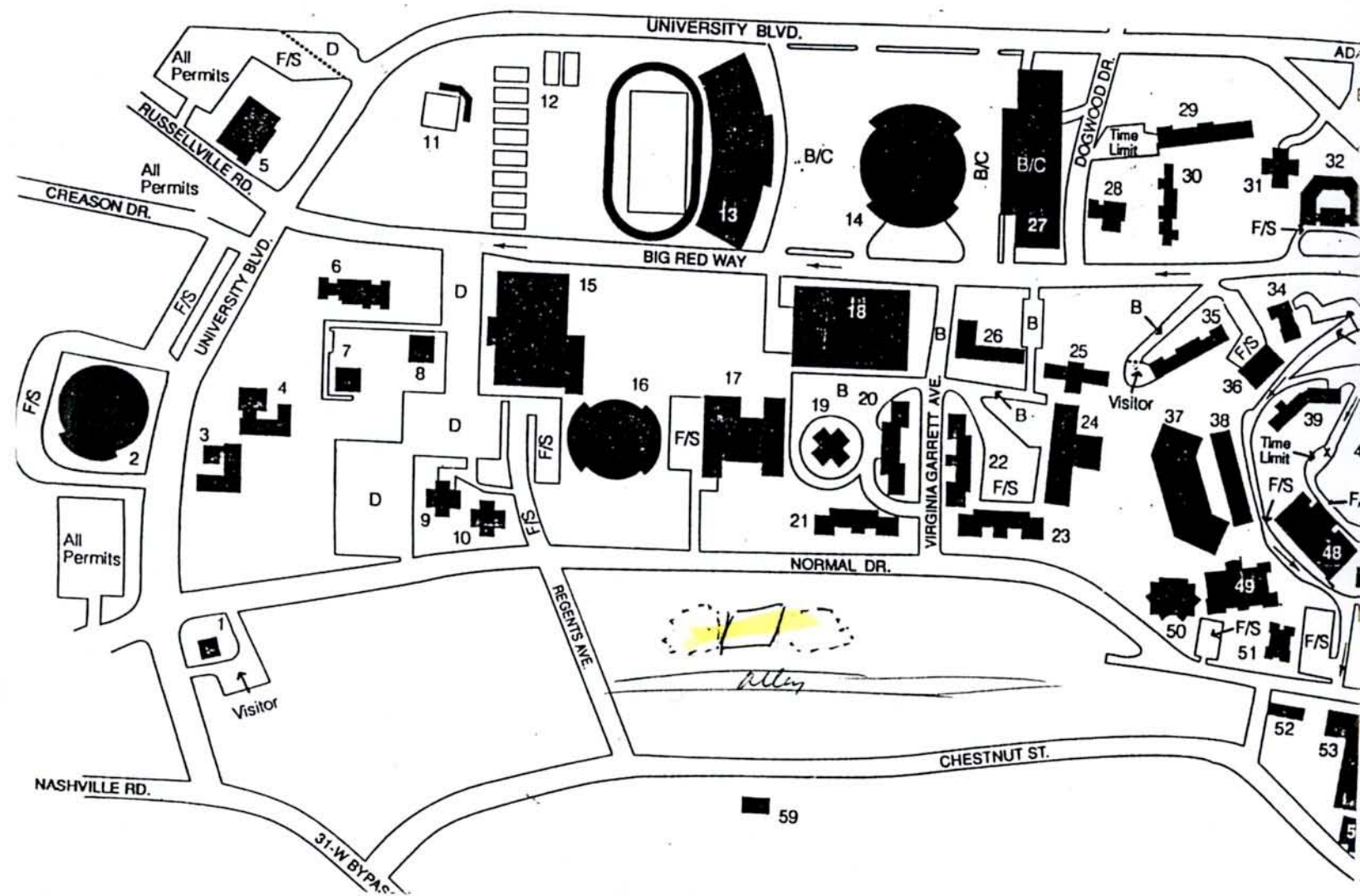
KENTUCKY STREET LOT

Chairman Johnson stated there might be the possibility of Western obtaining four properties for parking in this area (Adams & Kentucky St.) in the near future.



MIMOSA ALLEY LOT

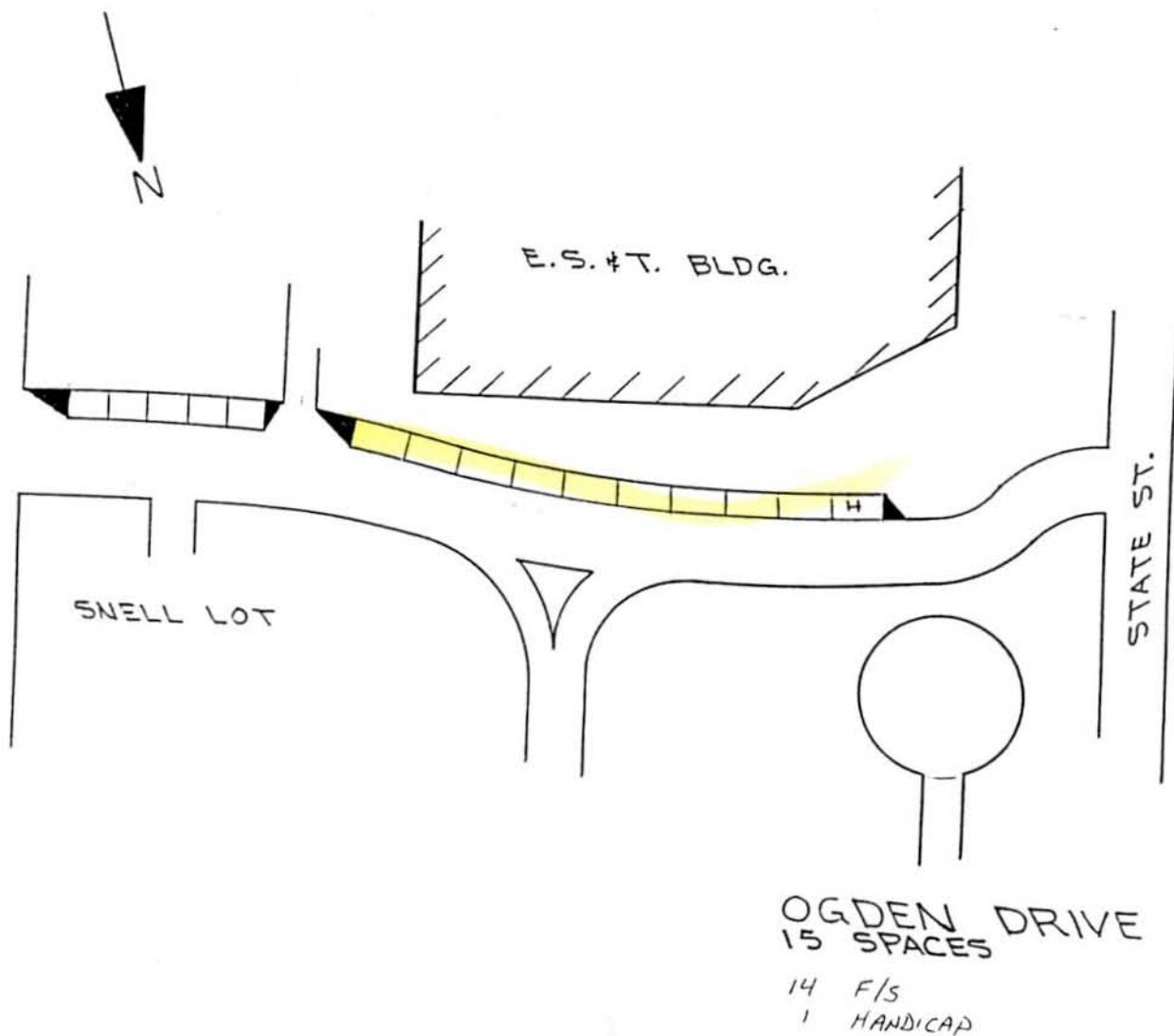
Mr. Johnson passed on the information that we might be able to expand this lot depending on some current negotiations.



OGDEN DRIVE

There have been several accidents in this curve with vehicles parked on one side which makes it very narrow. The committee recommended to eliminate the parking on the curve and paint it yellow.

**RECOMMEND TO APPROVE:** Removal of the spaces in the curve on Ogden Drive and paint the curb yellow.

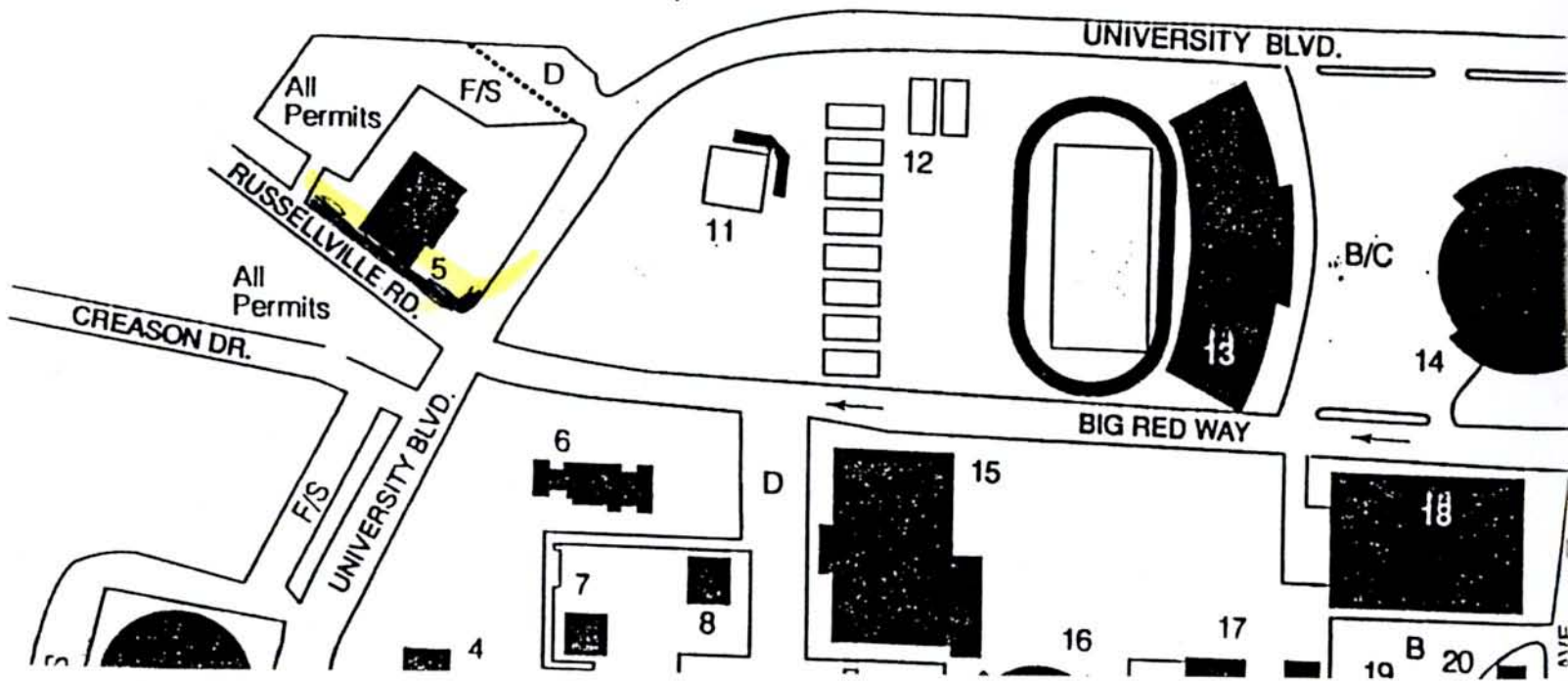




RUSSELLVILLE ROAD LOT

The committee suggested that the sidewalk from the corner of University Blvd. and Russellville Rd. extended to the entrance of Russellville Road Lot. This is a safety hazard due to the busy vehicular traffic in this area.

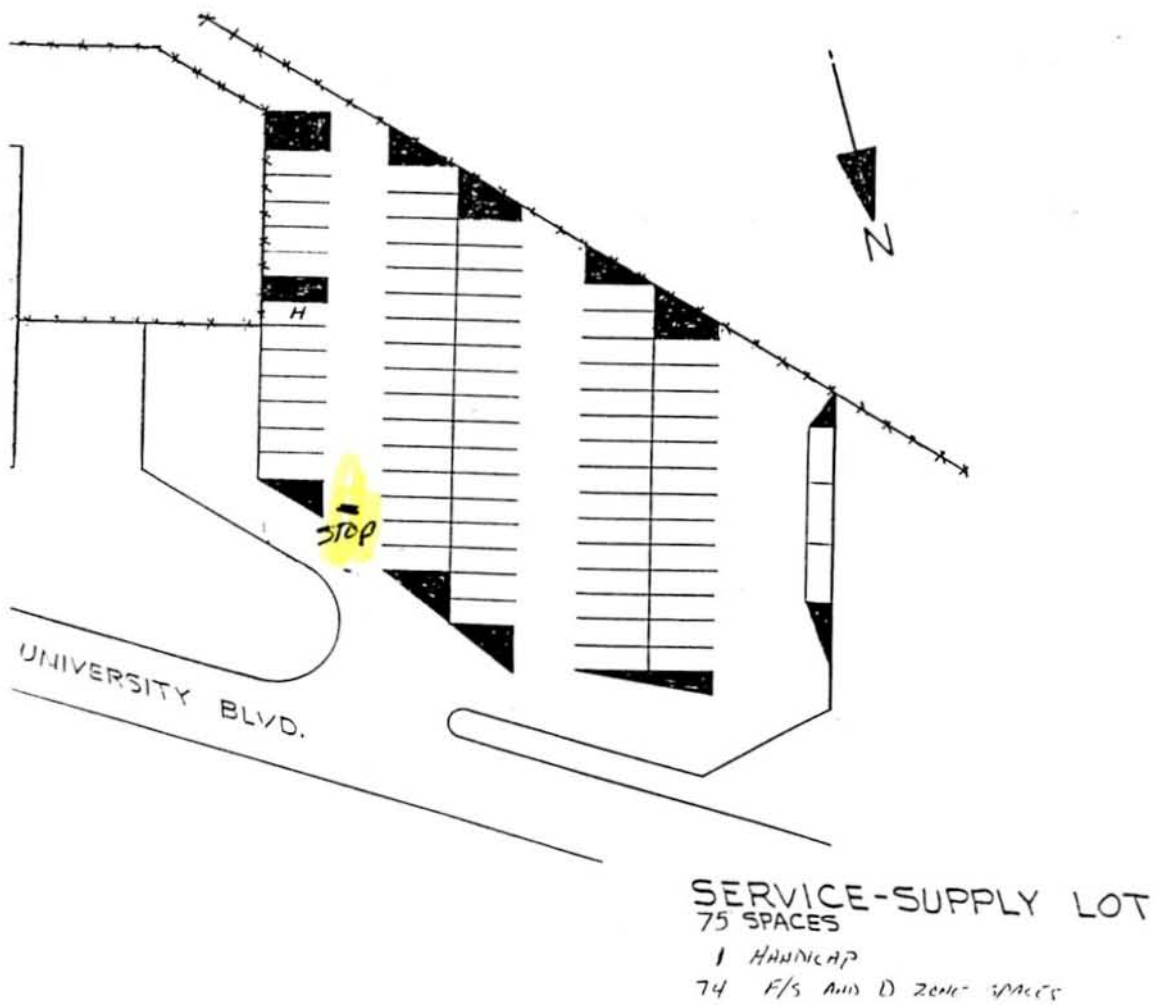
**RECOMMEND TO APPROVE:** Extending the sidewalk from University Blvd. And Russellville Road to the entrance of the Russellville Road Lot.



SERVICE SUPPLY LOT

The committee recommended to Mr. Creswell to repaint the STOP BAR in this lot.

**RECOMMEND TO APPROVE:** Repainting STOP BAR in Service Supply Lot.

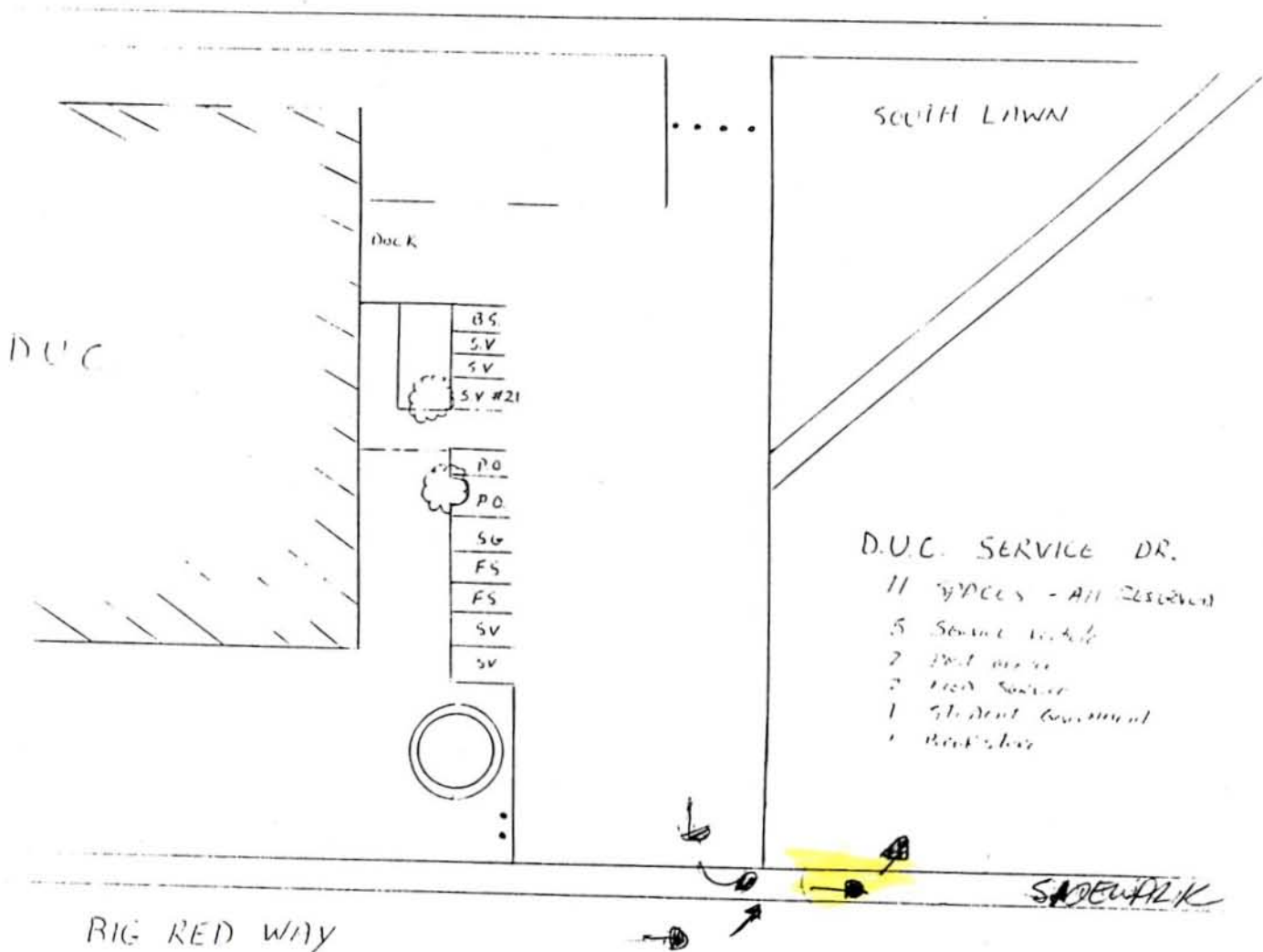




# SOUTH LAWN

This is a problem area to enforce. Vehicles are driving on the sidewalk and coming in and out on the Big Red Way side. There is already a path worn. There needs to be something added (a tree or white posts) to try and curb this hazard.

**RECOMMEND TO APPROVE:** The installation of some type barrier to stop vehicles from driving on the sidewalk and entering and exiting the South Lawn Parking area.



MISCELLANEOUS

DIDDLE LOT - Mr. Creswell stated that Diddle Lot was to redone and restriped soon.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER - Mr. Johnson informed the committee that the Shuttle Bus was no longer utilizing the Kroger shopping center but had been moved to the Economic Development Center.

As this area progresses, with the building of the Intramural Complex and the Community College moving in, this area will need to reviewed as to parking needs and restrictions.

INTRAMURAL FIELDS - Mr. Johnson discussed with the committee the plans to build a new complex on these fields for softball, soccer and football. There will an overpass by the railroad tracks and Campbell Lane will four lanes. There was some discussion as to where to park cars. At this time, the idea is to connect the complex in the back with the Economic Development Center and park in that area as there is ample space. There may future problems with people wanting to park along the side of the roadways which will need to addressed.

PARKING STRUCTURE - Mr. Creswell from Facilities Management stated the structure was to restriped this summer.

SCHNEIDER LOT - Mr. Creswell stated this is one of the lots that is first on his list to do this summer.

With no other business the tour and the meeting ended at 3:45 p.m.

xc: Dr. Thomas C. Meredith